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In re the Application of:

YOSHIAKI SATO ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/561,166

Filed: DECEMBER 16, 2005

For: PRESSURE MUSCULAR  
STRENGTH ENHANCING  
SYSTEM AND CONTROLLER,  
AND METHOD BEING CARRIED  
OUT BY CONTROLLER

Art Unit: 3764

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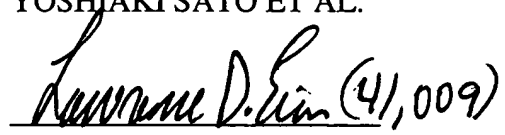
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Title.

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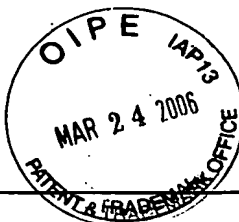
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